

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 - 27. (Cancelled).

28. (New) An apparatus for illuminating an interior of a building through a roof of a building comprising:

a light transmissive panel including an opaque tile having an opening formed therethrough and a light transmissive element that extends across said opening, said light transmissive panel having an upper surface that is substantially identical in shape to an upper surface of a roof covering and that lies in a plane defined by the roof covering; and

a light directing duct that is supported on said light transmissive panel for directing light from said light transmissive portion of said light transmissive panel to an interior of a building.

29. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 28 further including a light transmissive cover that is supported on said light directing duct.

30. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 28 wherein said light transmissive panel further includes a housing having a first end that is supported on said opaque tile and a second end that supports said light transmitting duct.

31. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 30 wherein said first end of said housing has a flange that is received within a recess formed in said opaque tile.

32. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 30 wherein said light transmissive element is supported on said first end of said housing.

33. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 30 further including a light transmissive cover that is supported on said light directing duct.

34. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 31 further including a plurality of vent holes formed through said housing.

35. (New) An apparatus for illuminating an interior of a building having a roof covering comprising:

a plurality of roof tiles that form a portion of a roof covering of a building, the roof tiles defining an upper surface having a shape and defining a plane;

a light transmissive panel including an opaque tile having an opening formed therethrough and a light transmissive element that extends across said opening, said light transmissive panel having an upper surface that is substantially identical in shape to said upper surface of said portion of said roof covering and that lies in said plane defined by said portion of said roof covering; and

a light directing duct that is supported on said light transmissive panel for directing light from said light transmissive portion of said light transmissive panel to an interior of a building.

36. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 35 further including a light transmissive cover that is supported on said light directing duct.

37. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 35 wherein said light transmissive panel further includes a housing having a first end that is supported on said opaque tile and a second end that supports said light transmitting duct.

38. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 37 wherein said first end of said housing has a flange that is received within a recess formed in said opaque tile.

39. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 35 wherein said light transmissive element is supported on said first end of said housing.

40. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 37 further including a light transmissive cover that is supported on said light directing duct.

41. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 37 further including a plurality of vent holes formed through said housing.

42. (New) The apparatus defined in Claim 35 wherein said upper surface of said light transmissive panel is flush with said plane defined by the roof covering.